

Study Center in Beijing, China

Course name:	HSK Test Preparation - Advanced
Course number:	CHIN 3001 CBSU
Programs offering course:	Intensive Chinese Language
Language of instruction:	Chinese
U.S. Semester Credits:	1
Contact Hours:	15
Instructor:	
Term:	Summer 2017

Course Description

This course is designed to help prepare advanced level students to take the Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi (HSK; 汉语水平考试) Chinese proficiency exam, levels 5 or 6. The HSK is the official standardized Chinese proficiency test promoted by the People's Republic of China. Throughout this course, students have the opportunity to improve listening, reading, writing and speaking abilities by reviewing key grammar and vocabulary points, as well as some testing strategies. The course is in Chinese with some explanations provided in English.

Learning Objectives

The course includes an introduction to the background and value of the HSK for language students, for those seeking China scholarships or degree study in China, and for future job seekers. The course focuses on the format and structure of the test, testing strategy, review of key grammar and vocabulary, practice simulated HSK test taking, and drills.

Course Prerequisites

Students who will take this course should be at advanced Chinese level.

Methods of Instruction

This course will be taught mostly by analyzing old HSK questions, reviewing and summarizing key vocabularies, grammar points and language structures. PowerPoint will be used for better illustrations. Occasional student presentations will be a supplement to improve students' Chinese express ability. Mock exam will

Assessment and Final Grade

Major Class Assignments/Grading Breakdown

Assignment and homework	40%
Mock exam (paper version)	40%
Class attendance	10%
Class participation	10%



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Course Requirements

Assignments and Homework

This course contains three parts (listening/reading/writing), and at the end of each part there will be exercises and homework assignments. Students are supposed to finish exercise and homework by themselves in or after class.

Mock Exam

At the end of this course, students will take a HSK mock exam. The mock exam will strictly adhere to HSK test format with 50% base on the materials taught in class, and the other 50% based on material from old HSK tests, but not covered in class. Extra credits will be given to students, who go over their test results and correct their mistakes after class.

Attendance and Class Participation

Class attendance and participation will account for 10% of total grade. Students are expected to attend each class and participate fully in class discussion. Any absence should be approved before the class by 谢老师. Your final grade will be reduced by 1% for any unexcused absence. If total absences are greater than 25% of the contact hours, the student will fail the course.

Weekly Schedule

- Week 1** **Introduction to HSK Test**
General introduction to New HSK Test and this course.
- Week 2** **HSK Listening**
Listening to interviews and short paragraphs on various topics, as well as learning listening test strategies.
- Week 3** **Reading I**
Review key grammar points and sentence patterns, learn reading skills, and practice HSK reading test parts 1 & 2.
- Week 4** **Reading II**
Learn logics and details of long paragraphs. Learn and practice HSK reading parts 3 & 4.
- Week 5** **Writing I**
Learn steps and methods of passage Logogram. Practice reading, logogramming, and writing.
- Week 6** **Writing II**
Appreciate Chinese articles, and learn skills of narrating, describing, and expressing
- Week 7** **Mock Exam**
Final practice model test.

Course Reference:

Course Materials (selected chapters will be provided before each session):

New HSK Intensive Training—Level 6 (Liu Chaogying, Long Qingtao, Jin Shunian & Cai Yunling, Beijing Language and Culture University Press, 2013)

New HSK Intensive Training—Level 5 (Liu Chaogying, Long Qingtao, Jin Shunian & Cai Yunling, Beijing Language and Culture University Press, 2013)

Conquer HSK in 21 Days—Advanced Writing (Zheng Lijie, Foreign Language Studies Press, 2010)

Conquer HSK in 21 Days—Advanced Grammar (Zheng Lijie, Foreign Language Studies Press, 2010)

Conquer HSK in 21 Days—Advanced Oral Test (Zheng Lijie, Foreign Language Studies Press, 2010)

Course materials will be provided by the teacher before each session.

Optional Recommended Readings:

Memorizing New HSK Words through Listening—Idioms (Wang Xiaoning, Beijing Language and Culture University Press, 2008)

Memorizing New HSK Words through Listening—Adverbs (Wang Xiaoning & Zhoulei, Beijing Language and Culture University Press, 2011)

Memorizing New HSK Words through Listening—Conventional Patterns and Slangs (Wang Xiaoning & Guo Xueling, Beijing Language and Culture University Press, 2011)